June 2023 Report from Cllr Justine Peberdy – Ward Councillor Ledbury South

Congratulation to the Town Council for the Great Big Green Week. It seemed to me that there was positive engagement from Ledbury residents of all ages and it was a very successful week of events.

On Wednesday 7 June I attended the Ledbury Health Partnership Patient Participation Group. The constitution was adopted, members were appointed and a committee was elected. There was good representation from patients aged over 50 but the group is still looking for younger members for full representation of all age groups. The group's main purpose is to advise the patient population on what care options are available to them and support them to access it.

A useful meeting with Stef and Andy Evans from JMHS has identified some of the challenges the school faces, with which we hope to be able to offer support. We will also be meeting with Rachel Ussher from Ledbury Primary School this month to understand her needs and challenges.

Planning application 231328 - Little Bush Pitch, Bush Pitch, Ledbury, Herefordshire, HR8 2PX Following an appeal to the Secretary of State the enforcement notice has been withdrawn on the grounds that the dwelling has been occupied for more than 4 years, and no further action will be taken. It's a frustrating result given that Liz Harvey has flagged her concerns about this development for many years and it seems that a combination of COVID and officer absences meant that the enforcement notice was not issued in time.

I have been appointed to the following committees at Herefordshire Council:

Environment and Sustainability Scrutiny Committee

Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education (SACRE) - advice to Herefordshire Council on matters concerned with the provision of Religious Education and Collective Worship.

Herefordshire Local Access Forum - advice and guidance to the Countryside Agency and the Herefordshire Council on how to make the countryside more accessible and enjoyable for open-air recreation in ways that have regard to social, economic and environmental interests; encourage and assist access provision, giving advice on issues of particular local relevance.

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